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To Whom it May Concern:

The proposed settlement against Microsoft is insufficient simply because it does nothing to stop one of Microsoft's most effective means of leveraging their existing monopoly: the matter of secret formats and interfaces. It is entirely too easy for Microsoft to make the next version of Windows use some core "technology X" but nowhere does Microsoft ever document what "technology X" is or how to write a program that interfaces with it. In this way, Microsoft will always have the better product because they are the only company that has the proper documentation of how to use "technology X". Everyone else must simply guess.

They should be required to publish complete documentation for all protocols and file formats.

Thank you for your consideration.

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